

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
NATCHITOCHEs LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
November 12, 2013  
6:00 p.m.**

BE IT KNOWN that a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District was called in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Natchitoches Parish Courthouse, Natchitoches, Louisiana, on November 12, 2013, with a quorum being present, and roll was called as follows, to-wit:

Board Members present were:

Karlton Methvin, President/Administrator  
Janet Jones, Secretary  
Billy Giddens, Member  
Doris Rogé, Member  
Adolph Sklar, Jr. Member  
Mark Swafford, Member  
Rayburn Smith, Member

Absent were:

Charles Brazzel, Jr., Member

Also present were:

Billy Dunn, Foreman  
Brad Sticker, DOTD  
Allen Shephard, Edko, Inc.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District was called to order by the President, Karlton Methvin.

The minutes of the October, 2013 meeting were read and discussed. A Motion was made by Adolph Sklar, Jr., and seconded by Rayburn Smith, to approve the October, 2013 minutes. The Motion passed unanimously.

The October, 2013 Financial Statement was reviewed and discussed. A Motion was made by Doris Rogé and seconded by Mark Swafford to approve the October, 2013 Financial Statement. This Motion passed unanimously.

The maintenance superintendent's report was given by Billy Dunn. He advised that his crew had finished cutting the grass on the federal levees. They have also cleared the L4 and L4A drainage ditch and were scheduled to hang the gate at lower Cane River, but were unable to do so because of the rain. He expected to have that accomplished during the next week.

Mr. Dunn also advised that he had contacted Mr. Earl Townsend with the Parish Commission and made arrangements to borrow equipment from the Parish to clean out L30 drainage ditch where it runs underneath the roads. They have completed that work. The Parish Commission loaned a truck, three men and other equipment to help accomplish this work.

Mr. Dunn also advised that all of the locks on the levee gates have been replaced. He informed the Board that he had received a call from Mr. Gary Hart requesting a key to the locks. He asked the Board for guidance as to how he should respond to this request. Following further discussion, the Board agreed that since Mr. Hart does work for the Levee Board on the levees, it would be okay to give him a key so that arrangements do not have to be made for someone to meet him every time he needs access to a part of the levee that is gated.

The DOTD report was given by Brad Sticker. Mr. Sticker advised that he had received information that the State levee at Cloutierville could be removed from our jurisdiction by getting concurrence from the landowner to turn the property back over to the landowner. There was further discussion among the Board members as to whether the landowner would take the property back.

Mr. Sticker also advised the Board that he had spoken with the general contractor, Tom Tubre regarding the Hampton flood gates, and it appeared everything was still on schedule for the flood gates to be delivered in January.

In other business Corkern advised that he, Doris Rogé, and Karlton Methvin would be attending the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana in New Orleans on December 4 and 5. Corkern also advised that our request for money to be included in the Capital Outlay Budget to make repairs to the Cloutierville flood gates on Highway 495 had been submitted and Corkern had requested letters of support from our local Representatives and Senator.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Janet Jones and seconded by Doris Rogé to adjourn. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the Motion.

Approved on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013, at Natchitoches, Louisiana, at a regularly held meeting.

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**RONALD E. CORKERN, JR.,**  
Attorney/Assistant Secretary